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The Shreveport Evening Standard after the 1st of October will be a morning paper. Then we hope that it will reach us regularly, for heretofore it has been coming in bunches of three or four papers at a time.

Robert W. Scott left last night for Minden, where he proposes to make his future home. Few young men with Rob's ability and qualities. He is a good salesman, and a clever social chum. We leave him with the tender care of his employers.

Prof. J. W. Nicholson left by stage last Sunday night for Baton Rouge, where he goes to resume his duties in the State University. He is also a delegate from Claiborne to the State Convention to convene in Baton Rouge on the 6th inst.

It is an admitted fact that ladies make the most cutting critics. And one fact that is safe to assert is, they never have any mercy for their own sex. Generally they are as proud with their back-handed compliments as a Frenchman would be in giving the direction to the Sandwich Islands.

Like beggars like, and this is never so fully exemplified as when a lover begins to exhibit feelings of indifference and insincerity. It is at this stage of the suit that jealousy and unpleasant doubts have their birth, and often grow up to the overthrowing of avowed promises and devotional pledges.

We take pleasure in announcing to the people of Homer and vicinity that Dr. J. L. AVERY will make monthly visits to Homer and will attend to all cases in his line of practice. Dr. Avery is a good dentist and should be patronized.

Orders left at A. W. Barrow's store will receive prompt attention.

To-morrow the first mail leaves Homer on the new route from Homer to Collinsburg. This is an enterprise for which the GUARDIAN has been assiduously laboring for nearly two years. The citizens along the route will hereafter have some regular means by which to obtain their mail matter, a privilege of which they have hitherto been deprived.

A special request was made by the preachers at the Camp-meeting asking the candidates to abstain from electioneering while on the encampment. Now, some of the candidates would like to know why the request was not carried farther, and ask the widowers to abstain from courting the widows, and the bachelors to withhold the sheep's-eye from the charming girls.

Col. John Chaffé, of New Orleans, put us under obligations to him for late city papers. Mr. Chaffé is well known in this part of the State as a thorough business man, and his many customers and old friends are pleased to see him once more in their midst. His weight as a statesman was felt in the late Constitutional Convention in which he was a delegate from one of the wards of New Orleans. May his future life be crowned with the same marks of success as his past has been.

Dr. H. A. Lewis and family arrived here from Texas last Thursday. The Dr. is in fine health and well pleased with his move. He speaks without hesitation of the many disadvantages of Texas as well as of the many inducements that are so often spoken of by persons who live there. Dr. Lewis has a lively practice and extensive drug business in Grapevine, Tarrant county, and thinks that he is now settled for life. He is here on business and will be with us for several weeks. We extend to him and family a hearty welcome, and hope that their sojourn with us will be pleasant.

Judge J. C. Egan and Prof. A. C. Calhoun, delegates to the State Convention, left by stage last night for Baton Rouge. We have an inkling that the name of Judge Egan will be before the Convention as a candidate for Attorney-General. No name from North Louisiana could be placed on the State ticket that will give it more weight and influence, both in the city and country. His experience as Assistant Attorney-General for the past three years has given Judge Egan an insight to the great and responsible duties made incumbent upon the occupant of the high position that he seeks.

We have received the address of Hon. J. Floyd King, our Representative in Congress, to the Mississippi River Commission. This is an able and well prepared address. One that reflects credit upon the writer, and one that should be thoroughly read and digested by this important Commission before it returns to that body that gave it existence. The resources of these rich alluvial lands will never be fully developed until the National Government take the matter in hand. The good work has begun. A step has been taken in the right direction and rapid may we expect the expedition to move on till untold benefits will be reaped from the efforts of this gigantic enterprise.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

DALLAS, TEXAS, Sept. 23rd, 1879.

From the "all aboard" at Marshall to the "twenty minutes for supper" at Wills' Point, there is nothing in the appearance of the country along the T. & P. Railway to distinguish it from the many portions of Northwest Louisiana, save from Van Zandt county west. The first prairie is the one in which Wills' Point is situated, and even here does not begin the prairie country of Texas. One has to be satisfied with imaginings as to the character of the lands along the road from Wills' Point to Dallas. We are told that it is prairie and frequent skirts and clumps of timber. That the land is rich and very productive, and is at first a black, sandy soil until near the Trinity river when it assumes a different character and is called black, waxy land. However, these facts are known to many—indeed, it may be truthfully said, to a majority of the people of Claiborne. Numbers have migrated to this modern paradise from our parish, others have visited their friends here or have gone prospecting; and even as did the Israelites in days of old, they have brought back glorious tidings as to the fatness of the land. And to carry the idea further, it may be said with truth, that numerous Claibornites have gone over to possess themselves of the country and the richness thereof; for very many people from Claiborne and other North Louisiana parishes are to be found in Dallas, Fort Worth, and along that other portion of the Texas and Pacific R. R. from Texarkana to Sherman.

In Dallas I found numerous old friends, acquaintances and relatives, and had quite a number of intelligent guides from among their number to show me the city from various points of view.

In the October number of Harper's Magazine a writer upon Texas makes use of this expression: "A journey of several weeks' duration in the Lone Star State revealed the fact that in the eyes of every true Texan, the particular location where he has taken root is the focal attraction, the garden centre of the earth, while the next town is the antipodes of all that is good, great and prosperous." "The bearing of this observation lies in the application of it," as Jack Bunby would say; and at this time it seems to me that the idea applies with great force to very many good people of Dallas who are not content with letting their city rest upon its solid merits, but would fain swell its importance by exaggerated praise or by refraining from blame to so great an extent as to declare that their town is faultless. Many of our good old Claiborne friends are specially addicted to this fault. As for instance, I have been told since I reached this place that if I wrote home to the GUARDIAN I must make no mention of the dreadful dust, or if it rained during my stay, not to allude to the mud.

Now, the truth of the business is, that Dallas is a city of more than ordinary importance, and has many charms and advantages that will give it interest to either the man of business or pleasure. In 1872 it was but a small village with some indications of future prosperity, to be brought about by the crossing of the Texas and Pacific and the Texas Central about a half mile east of the Courthouse. These two roads crossed here at right angles. The further construction of the Texas and Pacific was delayed for many months, thus bringing an immense trade to this place as the terminus of the road and the future of Dallas was secured. From 1872 to this date Dallas has grown from a city of 1,500 inhabitants to one of 20,000, and is now the commercial metropolis of North Texas.

I have not the time nor has the GUARDIAN the space for a complete enumeration of all the moral, social and commercial advantages of the "Queen City" of Texas. From an aesthetic standpoint the city is by no means a disappointment. In company with some lady friends originally from Louisiana but now ardent Dallasites, I have been driven over the principal streets and several miles into the country. I have had shown me the beautiful private residences, the fountains, the statuary, the flowers and the lawns. I have heard silvery voices declare the beauties of this earthly paradise, and have seen bright eyes gleam with ironic scorn at any attempted comparison with any other locality on any one of the four quarters of the globe. A few miles from the suburbs I saw two and four mules drawing buggy-plovers, and the unctuous black soil turned over in readiness for the wheat, oats or other small grain. I saw also farm machinery that must have cost hundreds of dollars lying out in the fields being ruined by the sun, the wind and the rains. These things I saw in my rides with my lady friends, and I can cordially join them in their admiration of the best and many of the humbler private residences. The style of architecture is very attractive and beautiful, and is beginning now to assume some elements of permanency.

With my old and tried friend, W. J. Allen, I viewed the city from a practical point of view. With him I saw the water-works, the oil mills, the cotton compress, the steam flouring mills, the jails, the Courthouse, etc. With Mr. VanSlyke, who married Miss Sallie White formerly of Claiborne parish, I went through the largest grocery house in the city, and to my great surprise saw a stock of goods that would be thought enormous even in New Orleans.

Now, that my visit is about concluded, I stop to think it all over and find that I

am becoming an ardent believer in the future of Dallas. And I conclude my hasty jottings by giving it as my opinion that Dallas is not a mushroom railroad town, that it has about it many elements that will surely combine to give it a gradual and certain growth. Some of the leading citizens have remarkable sagacity and enterprise, and by the designs they are now carrying out they will add largely to their prosperity.

It will please their old friends to learn that Dr. Cornelius, the Messers, Connor, W. J. Allen, Val. E. Winston, and many other Claiborne people are prospering. We wish to thank "Friend" Allen and his accomplished lady, Mr. V. E. Winston and lady, Dr. Wilcox and others, for many kind attentions while in Dallas.

Once at home, I will rewrite my Texas impressions, and will tell the readers of the GUARDIAN about Dallas from another point of view. D. B. H.

SHERMAN, TEXAS, Sept. 25th, 1879.

I traveled this morning for three hours through the most beautiful country I have ever seen. Leaving Dallas at 7:30 a. m. I went directly north, and at 10:30 reached Sherman, said to be one of the solid towns of northern Texas.

A stranger, unless he makes himself very obtrusive, cannot in a few hours possess himself of those facts that will be of interest and value. But as good luck would have it, the clerk of the hotel at which I am stopping is a Louisianian and is a clever gentleman. He is not one of those icy beings who fix the lonely guest with a glittering eye as he consigns him to the tender mercies of a sabbie attendant, and in a lordly, haughty style waves him up stairs. Mr. C. H. Murdock is from DeSoto parish to this place, but was originally from Acyelles parish, and is now located at Sherman in the Binkley House. I am grateful to him for many kind attentions, introductions to leading citizens, &c.

I condense for readers a few items of interest about Sherman gathered from Mr. Murdock and others here.

Sherman is at present the western terminus of the Transcontinental Division of the Texas and Pacific Railway, and is the county site of Grayson county. The city has a population of about 12,000, and will steadily increase should all the improvements now in embryo be carried out.

Sherman impresses the observer as a solid town. To stand at any corner of the Courthouse square or plaza and look as I have done to-day at the wagons that are packed thick around the seat of justice, one cannot but conclude that much buying and selling is done here. There are several street railways, some manufacturing of importance in actual operation and others being organized. Forty thousand bales of cotton will be sold here this season, thus securing a very large business for the place. Quite a number of business houses have either just been completed or are now in process of construction. Three large flouring mills are continually at work, and an ice factory of large capacity places this luxury in reach of all.

These facts I have learned in a few hours' stay here. Other items will be communicated at an early date. D. B. H.

Mass Meeting.

Last Saturday was the day of the Democratic Mass Meeting for Claiborne. By 11 o'clock a large crowd had assembled and all seemed to be very busy in consulting with each other for some time before the meeting was called. When the people were invited into the Courthouse and everything was ready, T. D. Meadows, ward 8 was elected chairman of the meeting and M. Rees Bryan secretary. A committee on resolutions was appointed, and while it was out a call was made for A. H. Payne, who went upon the speaker's stand and spoke for near one hour, telling the people of his views and notions on the new constitution, and spoke as though the ordinance concerning the State debt did not meet with his hearty approbation. At the close of his speech Mr. Payne said that some of his own "kiss and kindred" had deserted the Democratic party and were now calling themselves Greenbackers for which he expressed himself to be exceedingly sorry. That he did not impugn their motives, but thought that it was an error of the head and not of the heart, consequently he would open wide the doors of the Democratic party for them to come back into the old ranks, pledging himself never to throw the matter up to them again if they would but return to the fold. This appeal was met with cheers from the people, which showed that they too were willing to forgive and to forget the errors of these once good Democrats. At this juncture of Payne's speech one of the Greenback leaders showed his cheek and walked forward to the speaker's stand as though he would make a formal application for membership back into the honored old party. This, to our mind, was an evidence that he had not lost all conscience, and under the pathetic appeals of Payne the spirit went deep to its home and moved the erring brother to a sense of his duty and forced him to see his situation. But when he had approached near the speaker the pressure became too great, the load was too heavy, he tottered under it, and made only a conditional application and now claims that the condition has not been complied with—hence he is still a Greenbacker. We believe that the brother is on the stool of repentance, and before this campaign closes Payne may have an opportunity to "kiss his kindred."

Dr. E. Langford being called for, he

arose and spoke to the people for a short while. The Dr. seemed very hoarse, and we were not close to him, consequently we heard but very little that he said. But he seemed to be very earnest about what he did say.

Judge J. C. Egan, Assistant Attorney General, was the next and last speaker. In the course of his speech the Judge spoke of the immense quantity of money that the Democratic party had saved the State of Louisiana since 1876. He spoke in commendable terms of the late Constitutional Convention and passed a high compliment on the constitution, and spoke favorably concerning the debt ordinance. His speech was truly interesting, instructing, and worthy the much praise that it received at its close.

The Mass Meeting was largely attended and perfect harmony prevailed. Some warm, enthusiastic speeches were made by different persons while voting on the resolutions offered by the committee, but in the very best of feelings. The minutes of the meeting will be found in another column.

Now that our party has organized for the campaign we would enjoin upon every democrat to abide the course adopted in this organization, for certainly there is no good reason why we should divide in this campaign. It is true that this is a State election and is disconnected from National politics, but next year we will hold an election for President and Congressmen, and in a great measure the success of our National struggle next year will depend upon our efforts in this State election. So let every member of the party stand firm and guard against a division.

Camp-Meeting at Mt. Zion.

Last Friday the good people of that community moved into camp at the Mt. Zion church where they held a camp-meeting for five days. Many able Divines were in attendance and a large audience at every hour's service. All of the vehicles in and around Homer had been hired and chartered for more than a week to attend the meeting on Sunday, and our every effort to obtain conveyance had been thwarted until Saturday night, when by the merest chance, through the kindness of S. B. Aycock, a horse and buggy were placed at the disposal of B. M. McHenry and myself. We grasped at the opportunity and secured the transportation. So, early Sunday morning we were found wending our way along the dusty road to the camp ground. Having reached the encampment and spent a few minutes at the tent of the Hon. W. F. Moreland in removing the thick settlements of the dust from our clothing, we went to the mammoth shelter where the people were then engaged in a kind of an experience meeting which was indeed very interesting to the Christian and entertaining to the sinner.

At 11 o'clock one of the largest audiences that ever assembled in Claiborne parish, on a religious occasion, had congregated at the stand to hear the Rev. J. H. Stone preach one of his sound, logical sermons. But these preachers have wisely studied when to present a claim to and ask a contribution from the well-dressed people who attend these camp-meetings; and, accordingly, after the audience had assembled and before preaching commenced, the Rev. T. J. Upton presented the claims of the Presiding Elder, and asked for fifty dollars. The \$5.00 were called for, and \$25.00 men were asked to contribute according to their ability; and then the hat was sent around, and this was the move that made the Homer boys feel bad, because they had paid all their spending money for buggies. We did not learn the amount raised, but presume that it was fully fifty dollars; and the rich discourse to which the liberal contributors listened immediately afterwards made them feel that the gift had been bestowed upon a worthy man.

At noon the tent-holders and supporters of the meeting showed their hospitable feelings by the many invitations to dine. We accepted an invitation from Miss Sallie Cleveland and dined at the tent of Messrs. Cleveland and Featherston. It suffices to say that we were at Mt. Zion, to know that the table at which we ate was bountifully supplied with the richest of food.

The meeting was a grand success. Many lukewarm Christians were revived and reinstated in the path of duty; and many hard-hearted sinners were made to feel the poignant appeals of the spirit as the able prayers and eloquent sermons went up from that consecrated altar.

Proceedings of the Mass Meeting.

In response to a call of the Democratic Central Committee of the parish, the citizens of the party assembled in Mass Meeting at the Court-house on Saturday, September 27th, 1879.

The meeting was called to order by Judge J. C. Egan, and on his motion T. D. Meadows was elected Chairman and M. R. Bryan Secretary.

On motion of Col. John S. Young a Committee on Resolutions was chosen, composed of one member from each ward as follows:

Ward 1, B. F. Ledbetter; ward 2, L. H. Featherston; ward 3, Thos. Price; ward 4, Isaac Miller; ward 5, A. L. Atkins; ward 6, B. F. Reid; ward 7, J. S. Young; ward 8, J. J. Duke. The Committee retired for consultation.

On motion, the following named gentlemen were nominated and elected delegates to the State Nominating Convention at Baton Rouge, to be held October 6th:

J. C. Egan, Jno. S. Young, J. W. Nichol-

son, S. Y. Gladney, A. C. Calhoun, H. C. Mitchell, Ben. R. Coleman and Wm. F. Moreland.

The following named gentlemen were elected delegates to the Senatorial Convention, to be held at Minden Oct. 13th: J. H. Hay, J. E. Meadows, J. J. Potts, J. H. Curry, Col. Jno. Kimbell, Jno. Lesueur, Jno. H. Chappell and T. D. Meadows.

On motion of Col. Kimbell it was ordered that the delegates present at the Conventions at Baton Rouge and Minden be authorized to cast the full vote of the parish, and that no proxies be allowed.

Interesting addresses were made by Capt. A. H. Payne, Dr. E. H. Langford and Judge J. C. Egan.

The Committee on Resolutions then appeared and reported as follows:

Your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to submit the following Resolutions for your consideration:

Resolved, 1st. That the Constitution recently framed by the Convention called by a Democratic Legislature should receive the support of all the good people of the State.

2nd. That said Constitution is eminently calculated to restore the State to prosperity by its wise reduction of the expenses of the Government, and its limitations of the power of the Legislature to tax the people and its prohibition of special legislation.

3d. That, like the State Convention, we leave the adjustment of the State Debt to the individual action of the Democratic voters.

4th. That there shall be an election held in each ward of the parish on Saturday before the third Monday in October for the purpose of electing delegates, who shall assemble in Homer on the Monday following, at which time said delegates shall decide whether or not there shall be a nomination, and if they decide to nominate they shall proceed to do so immediately.

5th. That the basis of representation in each ward shall be one delegate to every twenty (20) votes cast for E. A. Burke for State Treasurer in November 1878, and one for every fraction over ten.

6th. That the Parish Executive Committee shall, immediately after the adjournment of this meeting, appoint Commissioners to hold the election above provided for, and said Committee shall promulgate the number of delegates allowed each ward on the basis established by this meeting.

After discussion the Resolutions were adopted *unanimously*.

On motion the following gentlemen were elected to form a Parish Executive Committee:

Ward 1, Wm. Sellers; ward 2, Henry W. McLeod; ward 3, Thomas Price; ward 4, Isaac Miller; ward 5, J. W. McFarland; ward 6, Ben. R. Coleman; ward 7, J. H. Jordan and John H. Chappell; ward 8, B. R. McCalland.

On motion the CLAIBORNE GUARDIAN and Greenback Dollar were requested to publish the proceedings of this meeting.

The meeting then adjourned.

T. D. MEADOWS, Chairman.

M. REES BRYAN, Secretary.

[Written for the GUARDIAN.]

And dis Ole Oman was a Thistle Sifter.

BREDDEN AN' SISTERS: De first part ob de text, namely, "de ole oman," I shall pass ober rapidly, an' handle powerful cautions. De porepine has his quills, de reptile dat crawlth at your feet his venom, de wasp dat flyeth in de air his sting, but lubly oman is twist armed—fustly, by nater, wid a werry long tongue; secondly, by invention, wid de broomstick, an' she has a wondrous nack ob slingin' bofe weapons. I'd advise you, my bredden, not to tackle but to take roudance on dis 'forssed ole oman on ebery 'casion, for you'll come out wusted in de end.

Neither is it ob de thistle I wish to dis-cuse, and pint de bent ob your minds to, dis blessed Sabbath mornin'; but dis text served as a 'portant turnin' pint, for de hinge ob de mind, ob your 'umble adviser an' sarvent.

De "sifter" an' de text. Now, dis werry church needs siffin' mighty bad. I don't b'lieve you're 'ware ob de danger you're in. You're tryin' to fool God, man, an' de debble; but you can't fool me. I watched you as you partook ob de sacred body ob Christ, an' drank ob de precious blood ob de Lamb, and what did I see? De brudder, at de far end ob de table, chewed slow; it isn't werry healthy for fat hogs in his vicinity. De brudder at de odder end ob de table looked kind ob sheepish and meekish, but he's fond ob looking at de gals—is married, but thinks de sobberth commandment don't 'mount to much fere any way. Anoder is bold and pompous, can beat Tom Paine chawin' up de precious Word ob God, and gib Tom two in de game. De womins dips snuff, dewours each odder's characters, wars big bows, kinks der bangs, an' 'raps der har, for to look like de white fokes Sunday.

Now, de steeple ob dis church plainly pints whar we're goin' to. You are sayin' to de world, de flesh an' de debble, you're followin' arter de man Christ Jesus; but I tell you now, you're on a mighty cole trail. He fust 'spressly and pinted 'ginst all sich debblement.

De Bible says siff on all sich. I know by 'perience it carries a pastor whar he don't like to be rubbed, and it's powerful strainin' on de sifter to git a member wid a big puss through; but we have this say-eth de Lord on our side, darfore let justus be done dough de hebbens fall.

I've seed de commit wid a tail what reached mos' clean 'cross de sky. De white men ob education predicted dat de end was nigh, an' some I hearn ob got dar 'cension robes did up, starched an' fluted, for de 'portant 'casion; but I sarched de Scrip-ter an' felt safe—I found no mention ob de commit.

It's been gittin' colder an' colder in de winter, an' hotter an' hotter in de summer, an' dey say dar's five planets in perbellion an' jasturposition to dis erf, an' dey are creepin' higher an' higher, but de Scrip-ter makes no mention ob it. But, my bredden an' sisters, de end is nigh. Scrip-ter plainly says: In dose days de lion an' de lamb shall feed togedder. Well, de lion has crep in de fold ob de church—dey fed togedder las' Sunday, an' de lamb nipped away pow'ful unconcerned. Bredden and sisters, lite yer lamps and hab dem burnin' for de end ob de world, or ob de lamb, an' sure.

PARSON VIE, D. M.

CANDIDATES' COLUMN.

Election 1st Tuesday in December, 1879.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

We are authorized to announce ALEX. WEIL as a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly of the State, at next election.

We are authorized to announce Dr. E. H. LANGFORD as a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly of the State, at next election, subject to a Democratic nomination.

We are authorized to announce JOHN R. PHIPPS as a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly of the State, at next election.

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce Gen. JOHN YOUNG as a candidate for Judge of the Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

We are authorized to announce Judge E. M. GRAHAM, of Vienna, Lincoln parish, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of the Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

We are authorized to announce Judge J. E. TRIMBLE, of Farmerville, Union parish, as a candidate for Judge of the Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

We are authorized to announce Judge N. J. SCOTT as a candidate for Judge of the Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce F. E. MAYO, Esq., of Farmerville, Union parish, as a candidate for District Attorney, Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

We are authorized to announce Judge J. A. RICHARDSON as a candidate for District Attorney, Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

We are authorized to announce JAS. A. RAMSEY, Esq., of Farmerville, Union parish, as a candidate for District Attorney, Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

We are authorized to announce ALLEN BARENDSE, of Vienna, Lincoln parish, as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Attorney, Third Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Claiborne, Union and Lincoln, at next election.

FOR CLERK D. C.

We are authorized to announce J. R. RAMSEY as a candidate for Clerk of the District Court of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce DREW FERGUSON as a candidate for Clerk of the District Court of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce JAMES J. POTTS as a candidate for Clerk of the District Court of Claiborne parish, at next election.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce F. M. FREEMAN as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce THOS. H. BROWN as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce JOHN L. BROWN as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce JAS. H. SIMMONS as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce J. T. BAKER as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce ALEX. RAULAND as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce R. T. McCLENDON as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election—subject to a Democratic nomination, if there be one.

We are authorized to announce W. F. AYCOCK as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce O. A. SMITH as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce J. H. M. TAYLOR as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

We are authorized to announce I. N. GLOVER as a candidate for Sheriff of Claiborne parish, at next election.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE—Ward 7.

We are authorized to announce J. FERGUSON, Esq., as a candidate for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, at next election.

We are authorized to announce B. A. FORTSON, of Arizona, as a candidate for Justice of the Peace in Ward 7, at the next election.

FOR CONSTABLE—Ward 7.

We are authorized to announce JAS. T. OTTS as a candidate for Constable in Ward 7, at next election.

We are authorized to announce R. F. HARWELL as a candidate for Constable in Ward 7, at next election.

To the Voters of the Parishes of Claiborne, Lincoln and Union:

I have ever been of opinion that Judicial preferment should never be sought and obtained through canvassing and electioneering; but, were it otherwise, my crippled condition would deny to me that privilege. I, therefore, adopt this method of addressing you. I ask not the office of District Judge for this District for honors—purely for the emoluments, for the support of myself and family. Not being paid my salaries for my services as Parish Judge of this parish, leaves "me poor indeed." Consider my claims and condition: should you consider me to be incompetent and unworthy—or either—vote for some one else; but, should you consider me competent and worthy, give me your support—there is no one more in need.

Pledging myself ever to be just and true to the best of my ability in the faithful discharge of my official duties—administering justice where justice belongs, whether it falls light or heavy—your kind considerations and support will be ever gratefully remembered.

N. J. SCOTT.

Homer, La., Sept. 2, 1879.

Vienna Sentinel and Farmerville Gazette copy four times, and send bill.

JOE-WORK NEATLY EXECUTED AT this office